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OVERVIEW OF KO FUSION PROGRAM

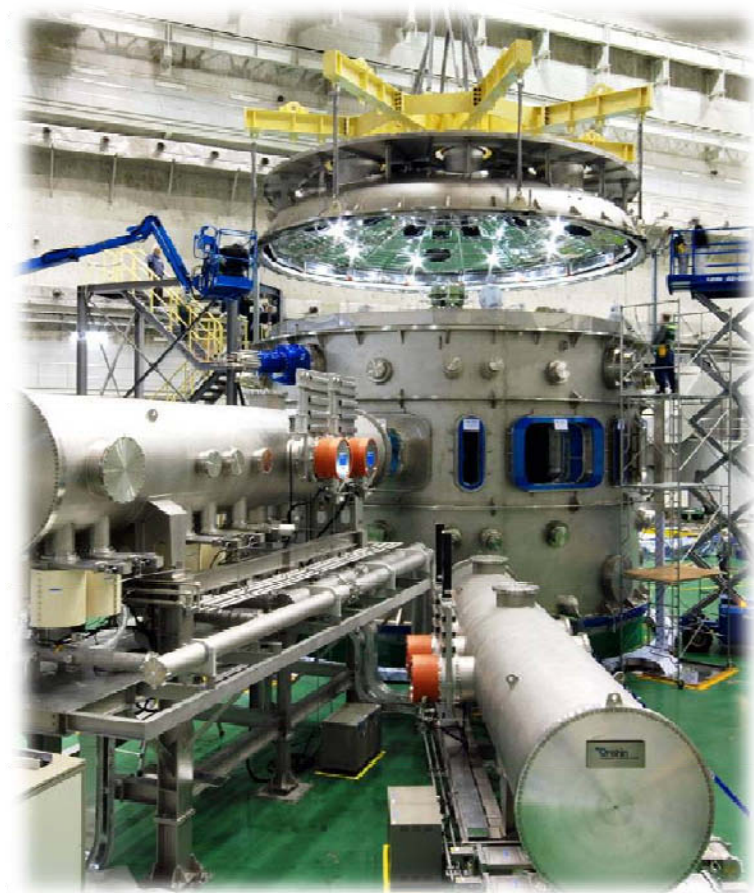
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Outline



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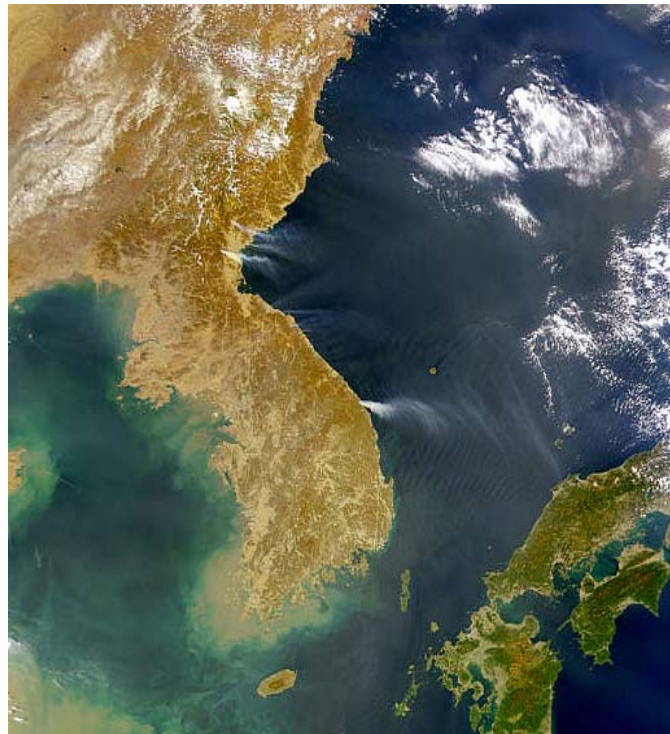


Energy Facts in Korea

- Import most of energy sources mainly in the form of fossil fuel
- World's Top 10 energy consuming country
- Heavily dependent upon nuclear power (38 %) and fossil fuel (60 %) for producing electricity

● Energy Import

97 % of Energy Consumption



● Electricity Production

- Hydro : 1.7 %
- Nuclear: 38.2 %
- Fossil : 60.1 %

Why Fusion for Korea ?

Korea, Poor Country in Energy Resources

● 97% of Energy Import

Fusion Energy ?

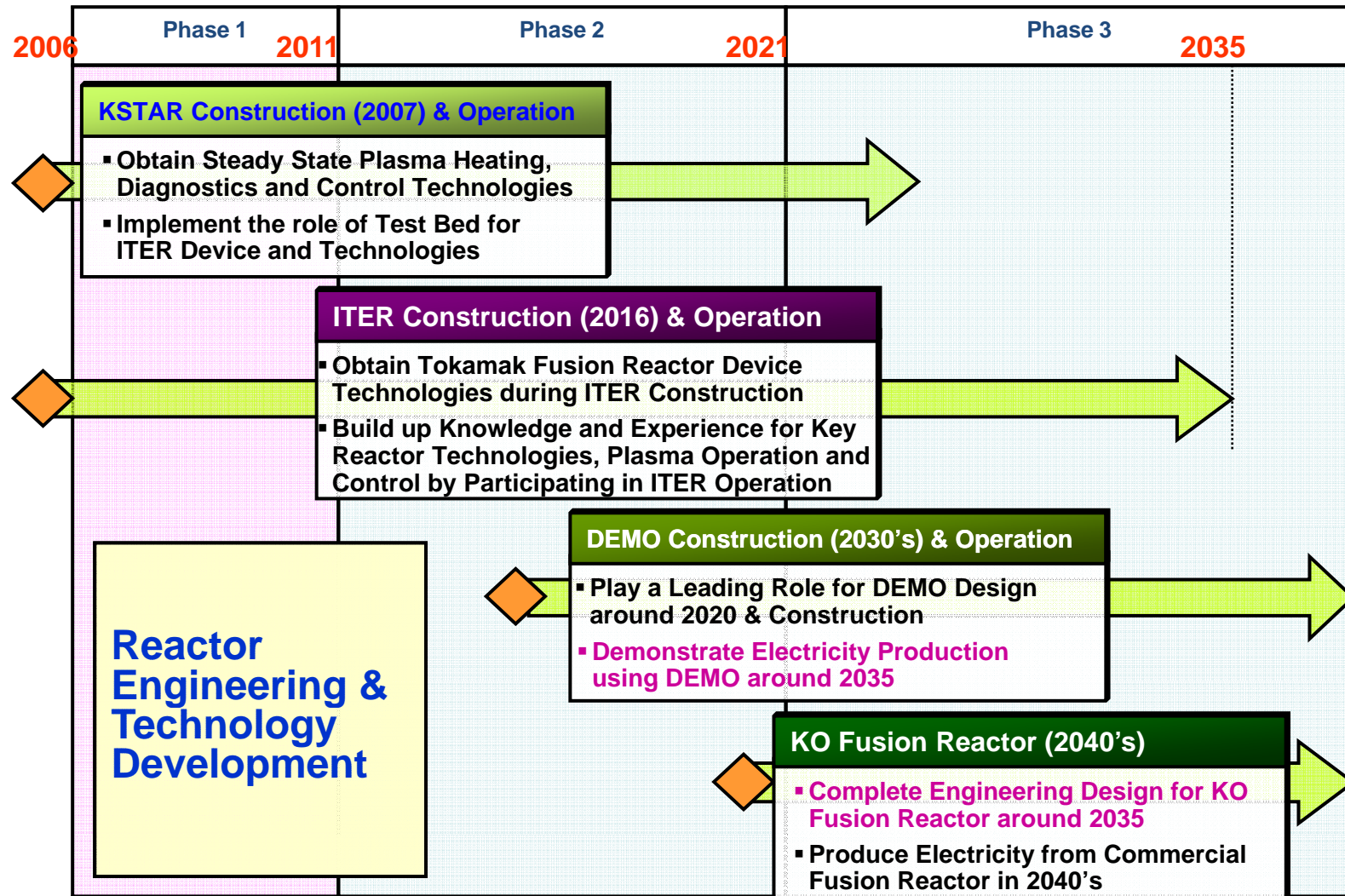
- Abundant in Fuel (D and T (Transmutation by Lithium))
- No CO₂ gas Emission and No air Pollution
- No High and Long-lived Radioactive Wastes
- Intrinsicly Safe: If fuel supply stops, fusion reaction stops

→ Fusion Energy, an Ideal energy source, but still many Works to be done.

→ **Fusion gives the best future opportunity for Korea to realize Energy dream.**

- World experts and specialists can work together (KSTAR & ITER)
- Huge investment for a single country to develop (needs collaboration)

KO Fusion Energy Development Phases



Fusion Energy Development Promotion Act



❖ For establishing a long-term fusion energy strategy and assuring national energy security, the Fusion Energy Development Promotion Act was legislated.

Fusion Energy Development Promotion Act

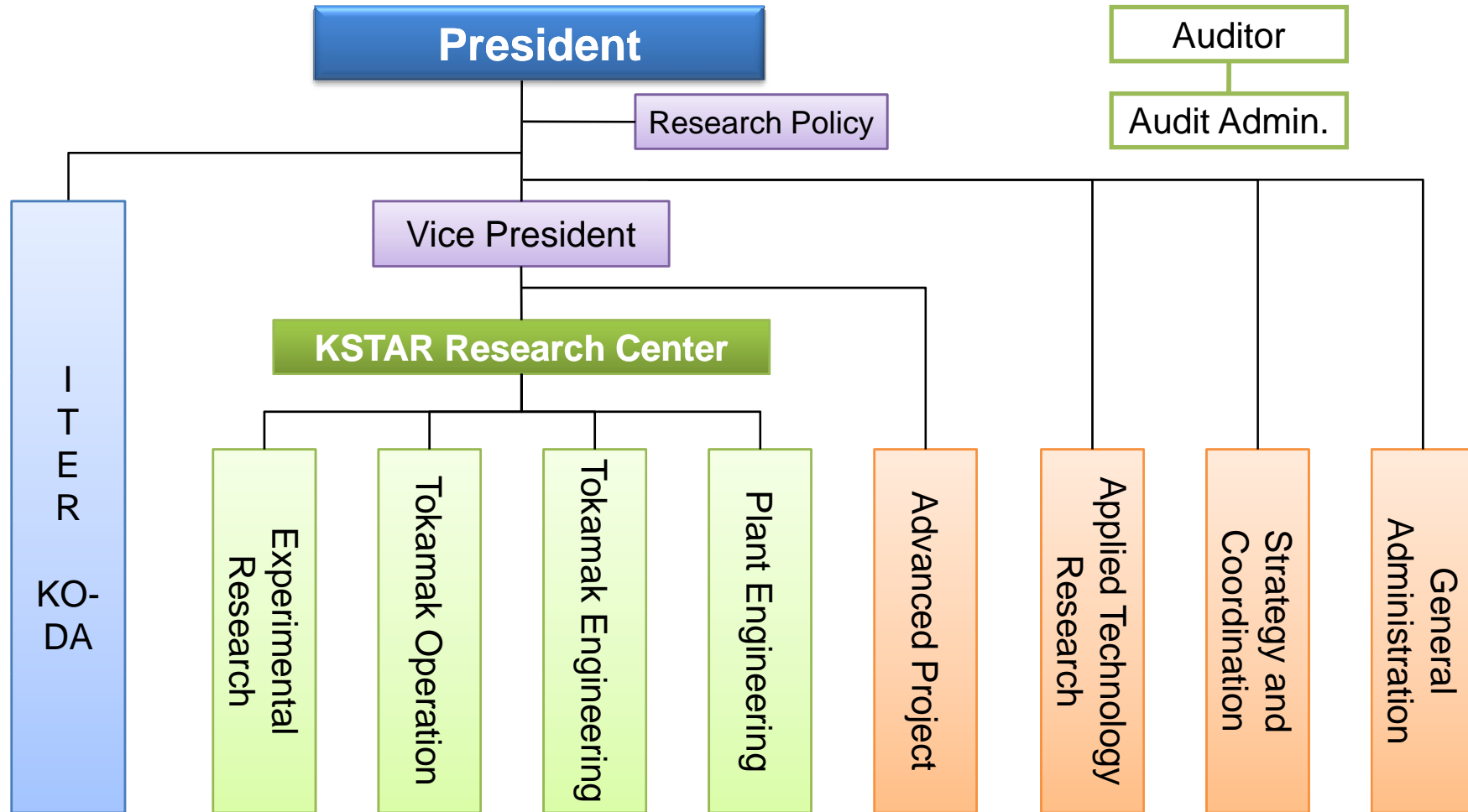
Mid-term and Long-term Planning and Resource Allocation

Establishment of a Central Institute for Self-sustenance of Fusion R&D

Legal support in taxation and financing and Support for International Collaboration (ITER) and exchange



Organization

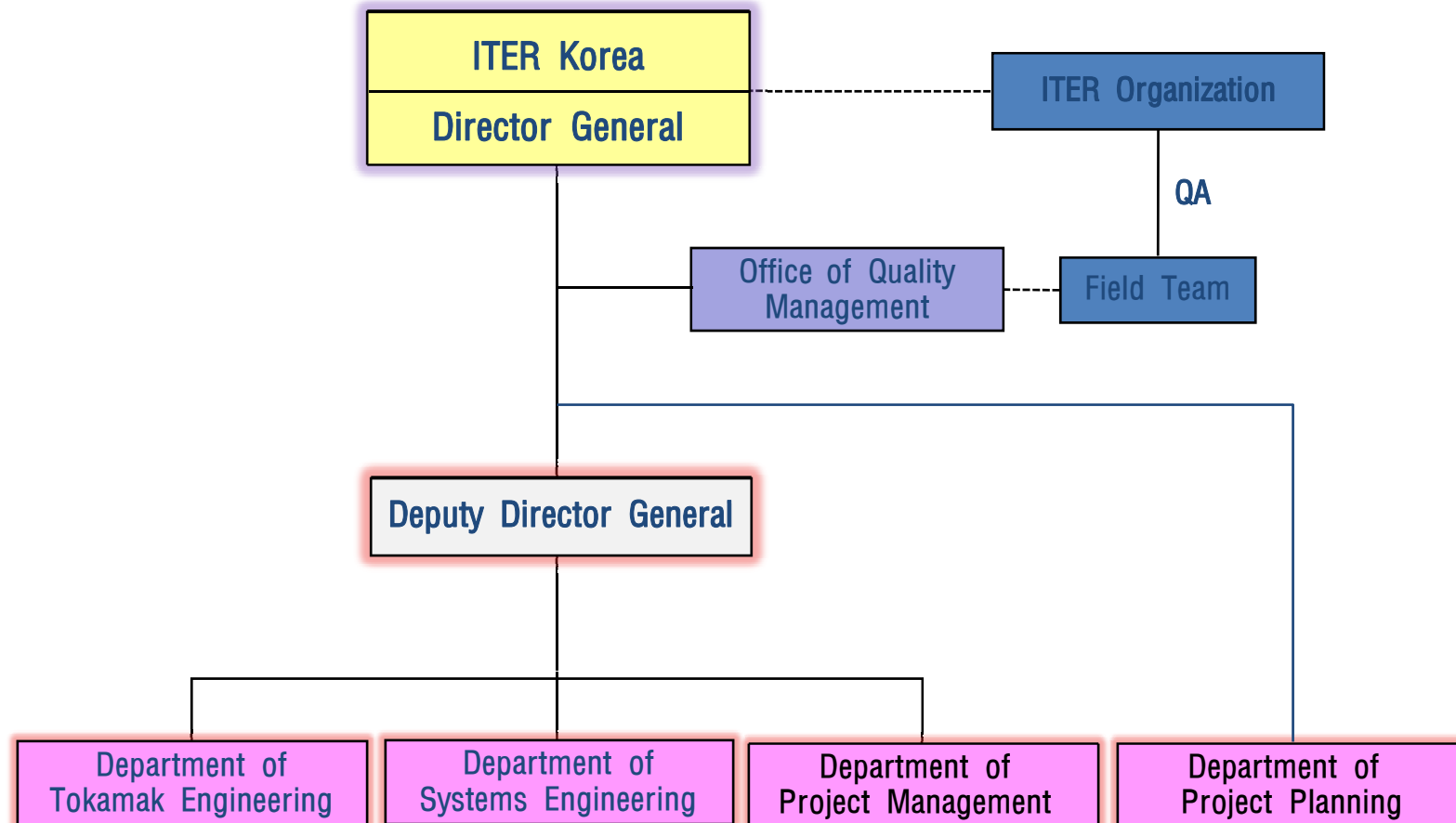




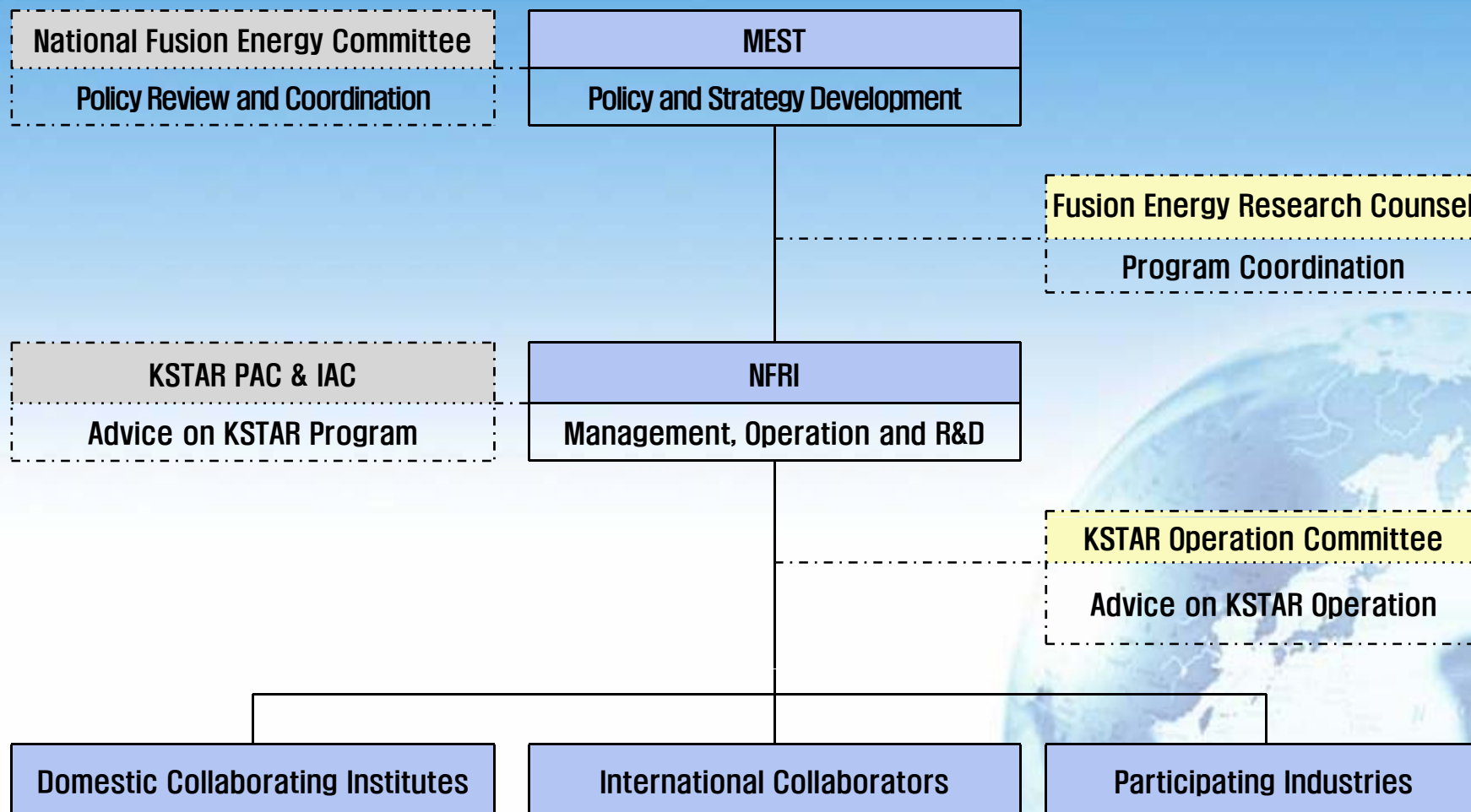
Organization Chart of the KO-DA

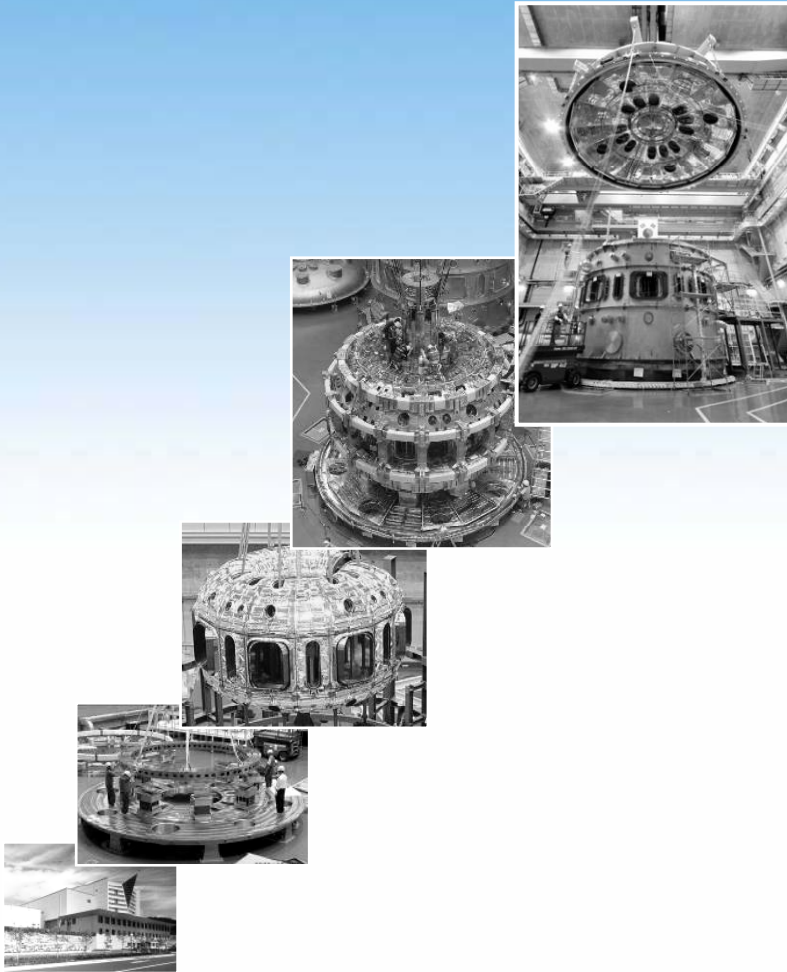


(Total Staff: 75)



Governance for KSTAR





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KSTAR Program

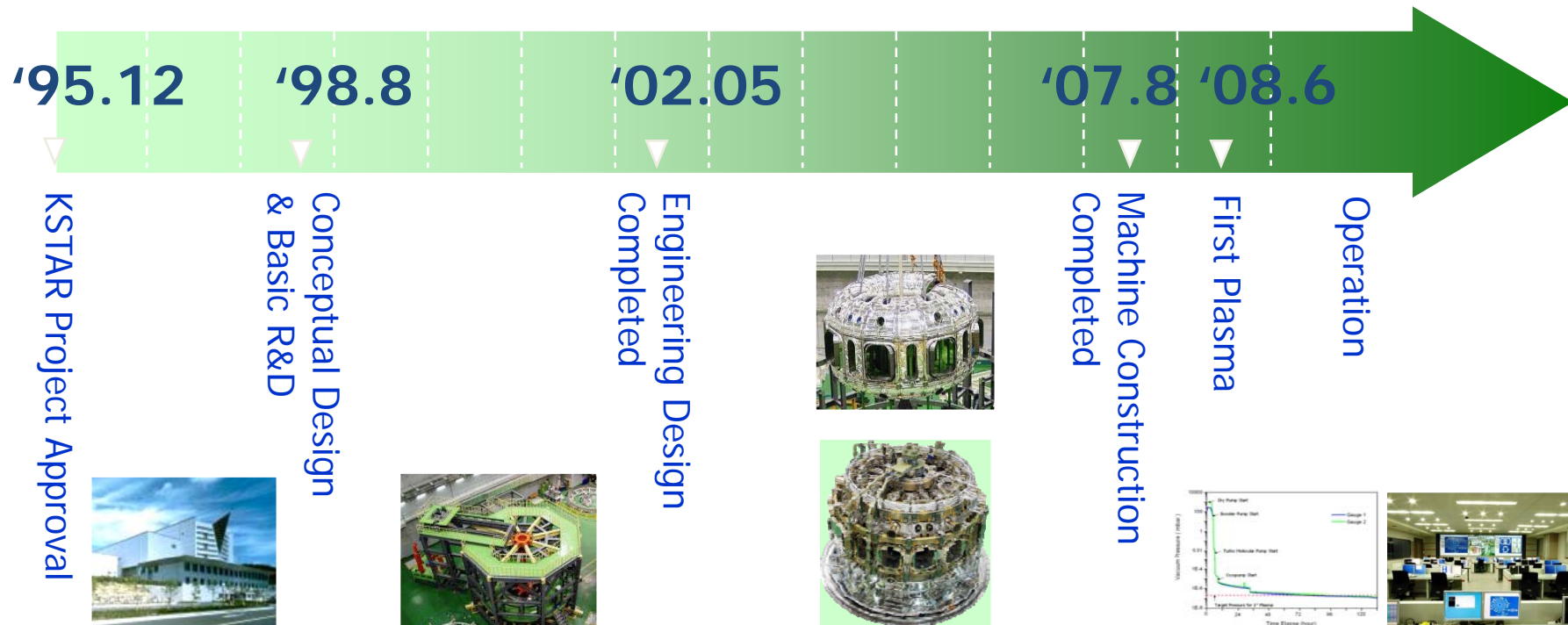


KSTAR Mission & Progress



Mission :

- to develop a steady-state-capable advanced superconducting tokamak
- to establish the scientific and technological base for an attractive fusion reactor as a future energy source



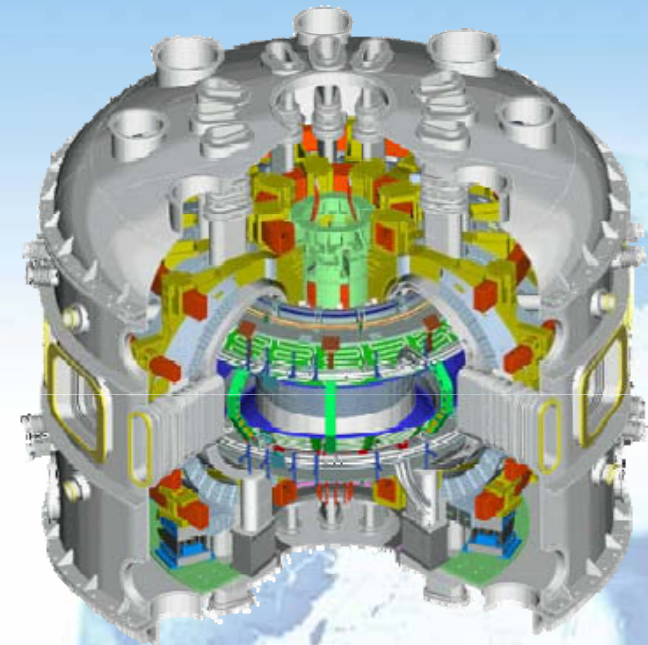
KSTAR Key Features

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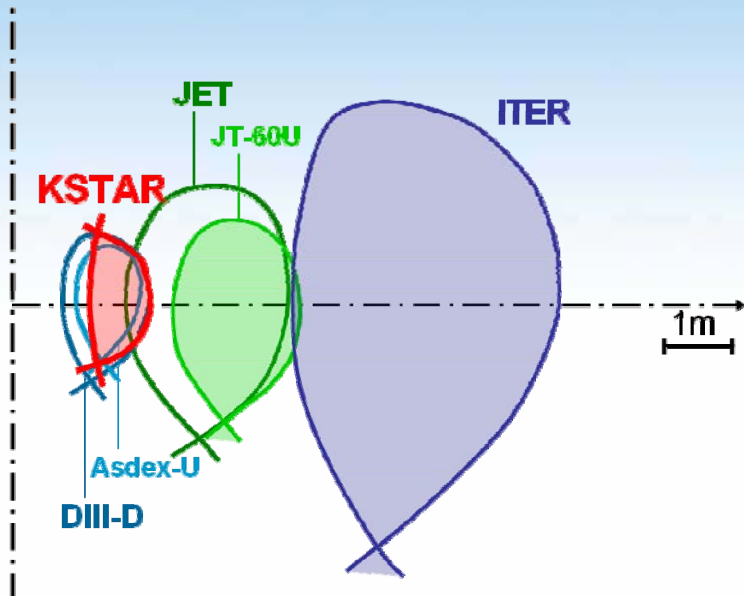
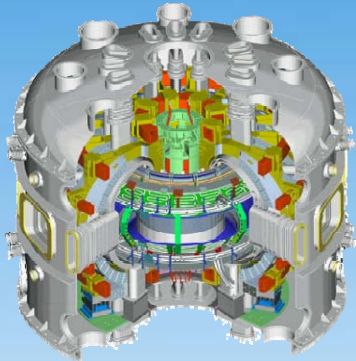
Features

- **High efficient tokamak**
 - middle size & mega-ampere class
- **Steady-state & ITER relevant device**
 - Nb₃Sn superconducting magnet
 - active cooled in-vessel components
 - long-pulse non-inductive heating and current drive
- **High performance operational capability**
 - passive stabilizer
 - in-vessel control coils
 - strong shaping

Schematics of the KSTAR device



KSTAR Parameters

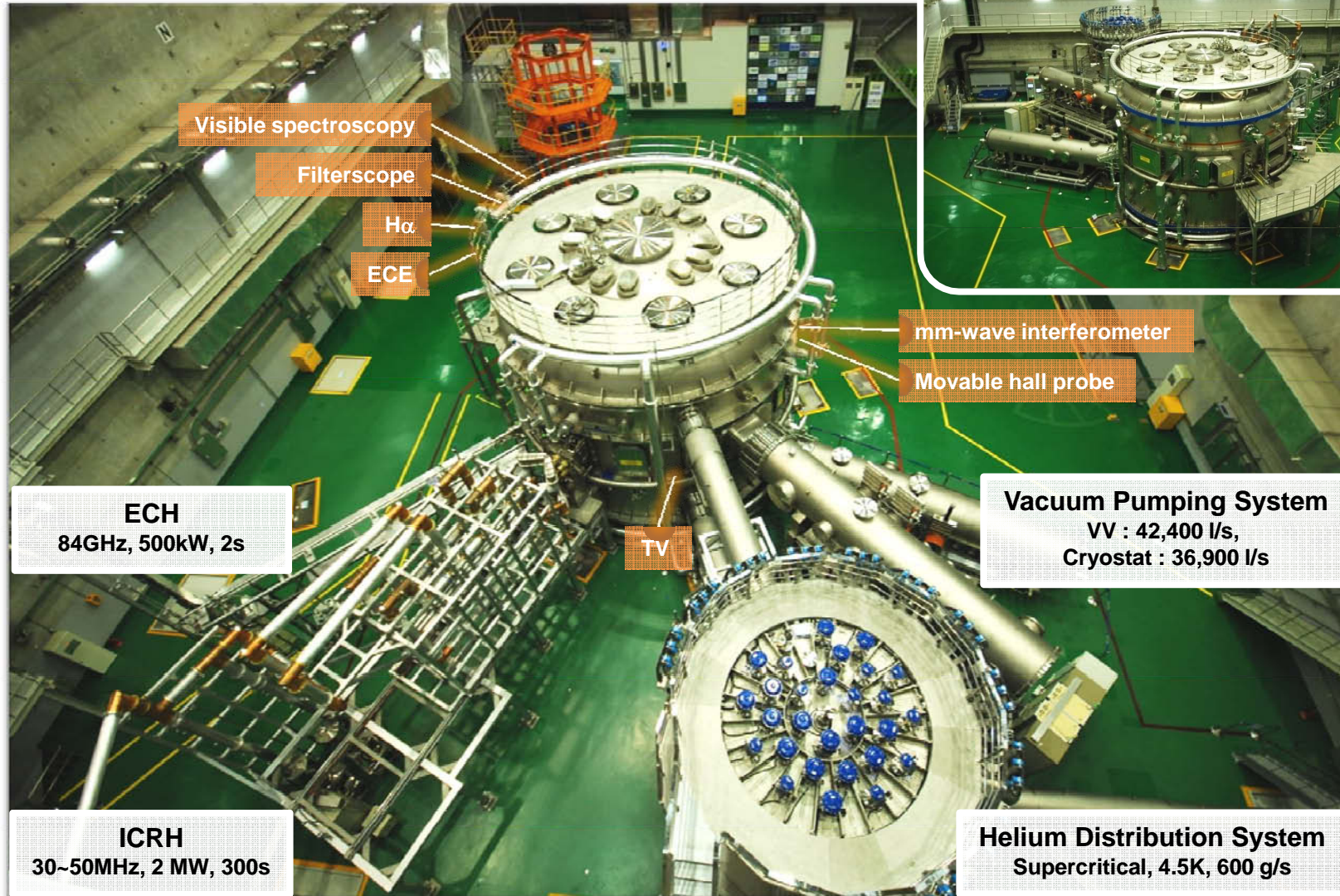


PARAMETERS	KSTAR	ITER
Major radius, R_0	1.8 m	6.2 m
Minor radius, a	0.5 m	2.0 m
Elongation, κ	2.0	1.7
Triangularity, δ	0.8	0.33
Plasma volume	17.8 m ³	830 m ³
Plasma surface area	56 m ²	680 m ²
Plasma cross section	1.6 m ²	22 m ²
Plasma shape	DN, SN	SN
Plasma current, I_p	> 2.0 MA	15 (17) MA
Toroidal field, B_0	> 3.5 T	5.3 T
Pulse length	> 300 s	400 s
β_N	~ 5.0	1.8 (2.5)
Plasma fuel	H, D-D	H, D-T
Superconductor	Nb ₃ Sn, NbTi	Nb ₃ Sn, NbTi
Auxiliary heating /CD	~ 28 MW	73 (110) MW
Cryogenic	9 kW @4.5K	

KSTAR Tokamak



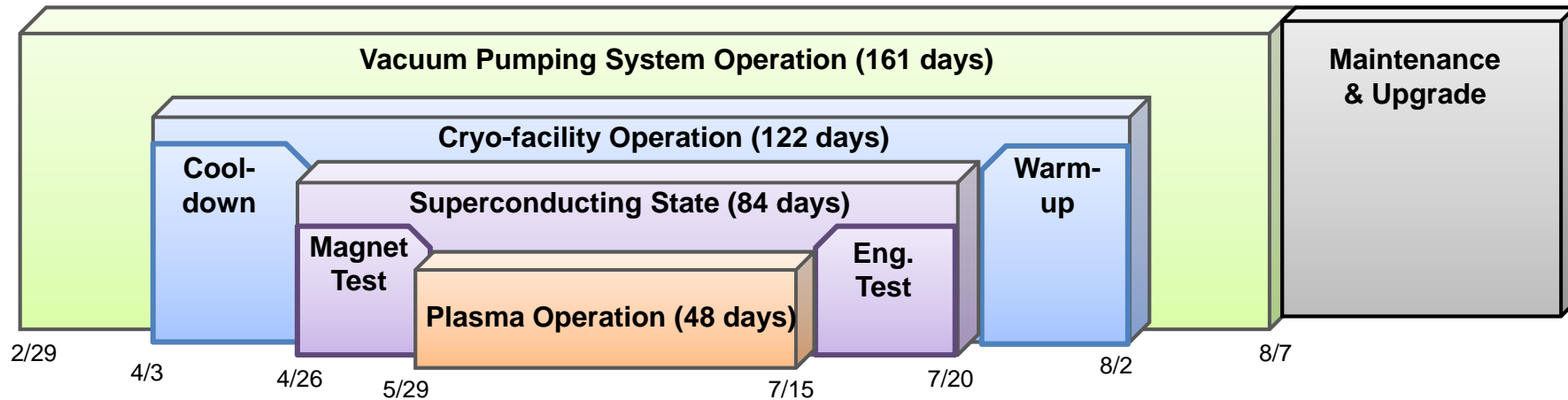
- KSTAR device and initial ancillary systems installed



Commissioning Progress



- Commissioning Process

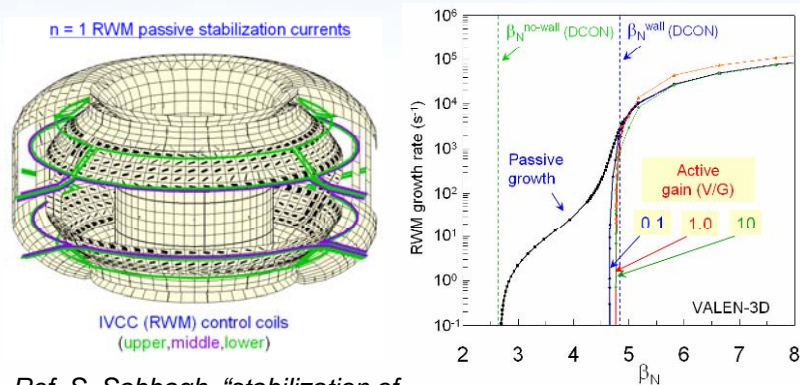


KEY DATES	COMMISSIONING PROGRESS
Sep. 14, 2007	Tokamak construction completed
Feb. 29, 2008	Vacuum pumping started after final inspection
Apr. 03, 2008	Magnet system cool-down started (9 kW refrigerator)
Apr. 23, 2008	SC phase transition detected (TF coil at 18 K)
Apr. 26, 2008	Cool-down completed (5 K, SHe 600 g/s)
May 05, 2008	Joint resistance & coil insulation measured
May 12, 2008	TF coil commissioning completed (15 kA, 8 hr)
May 27, 2008	PF coil commissioning completed (4 kA)
May 29, 2008	ECH pre-ionization test started (1.5 T, 84GHz)
Jun. 13, 2008	First plasma achieved (107 kA, ECH assisted)
Jul. 15, 2008	1st plasma campaign completed (pulse length over 800 ms)
Jul. 20, 2008	Warm up started

Operation & Research Goal

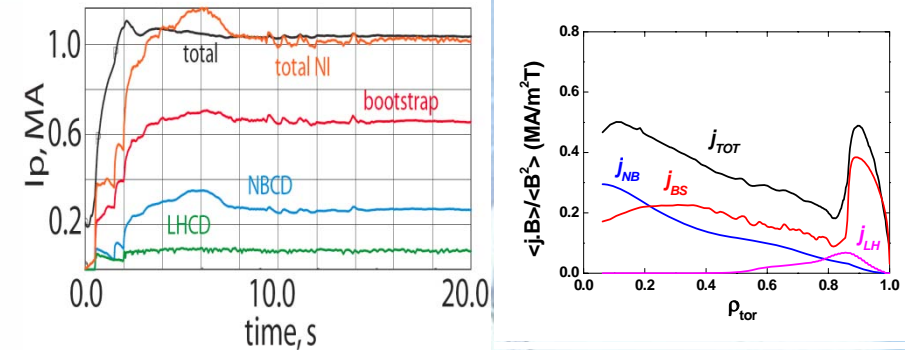
- High performance plasma research :
 - High beta plasma operation and control especially effective heating system operation
 - NTM suppression using ECCD
 - RWM control using IVCC coil
 - ELM stabilization using IVCC coil
 - Slow plasma ramp-up assisted by additional heating system

- Steady-state operation research :
 - High non-inductive current drive and high bootstrap current generation
 - Long pulse heating system development
 - High temperature PFC components
 - Various disruption mitigation
 - Embedded real-time measurement and control for long pulse plasma
 - Innovative diagnostics



Ref. S. Sabbagh, "stabilization of KSTAR high beta equilibria" (2007)

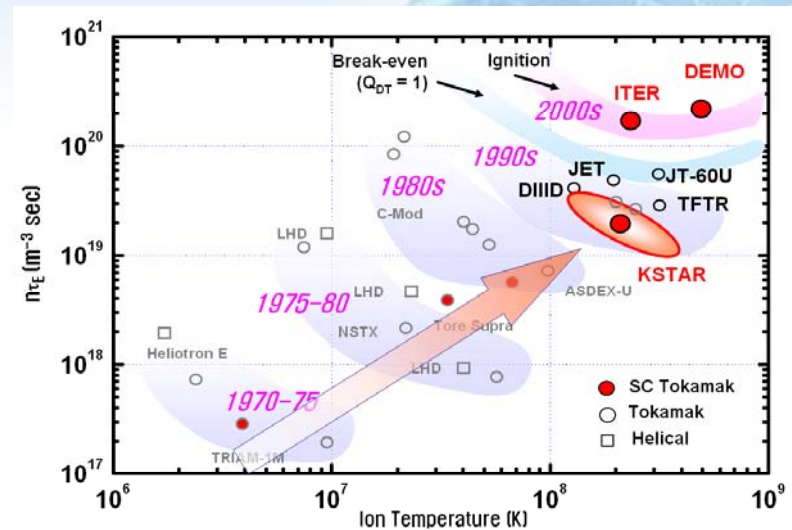
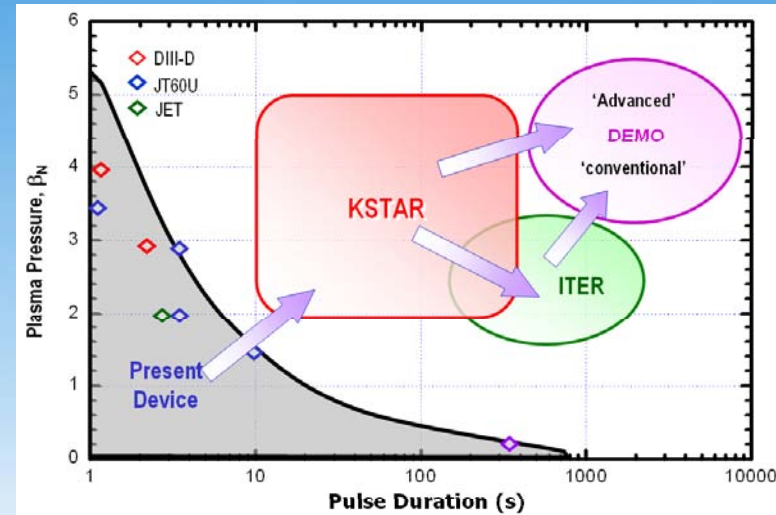
High beta stabilization by IVCC



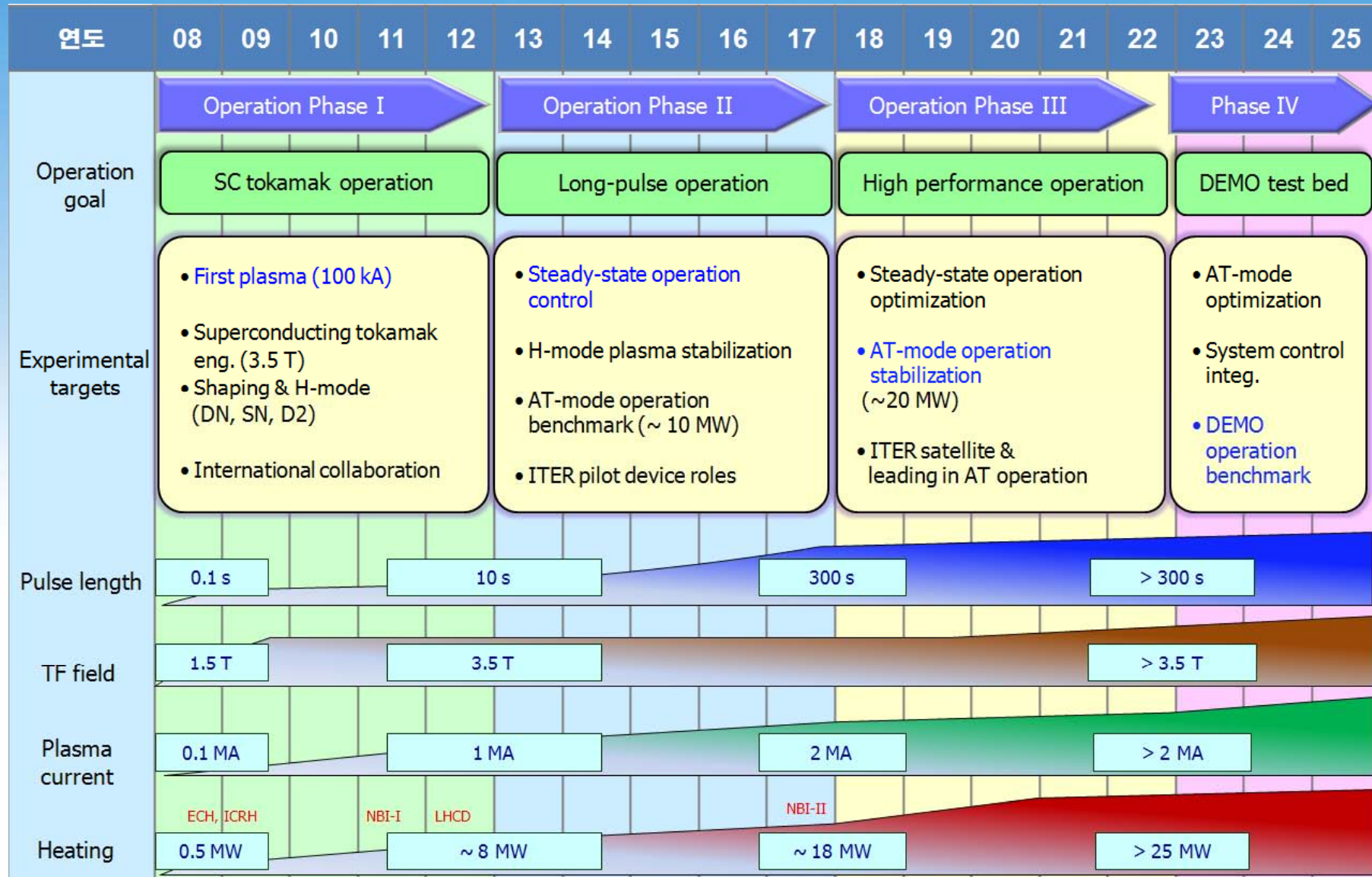
Non-inductive CD scenario

ITER relevant Operation & Research

- KSTAR will be one of the most effective devices for ITER relevant and for an attractive fusion reactor physics operation.
 - ITER operational scenario test
 - Long pulse operation (~ 300 s)
 - Simulation for ITER AT operation scenario
 - Superconducting coil characteristics for high performance plasma operation
 - Mechanical performance of the structures under high magnetic forces
 - Long-pulse plasma control
 - Power supply control (SC magnet & IVCC)
 - Divertor material test at high temperature
 - ITER TBM material test



KSTAR operation & experimental plan



Near-term KSTAR Operation & Upgrade Plan



Last updated : Jan. 8, 2009

	FY 08	FY 09	FY 10	FY 11	FY 12
Operation (+CD & WU)	08. 4 ~ 08. 7 (4 mon.)	09. 9 ~ 09.12 (4 mon.)	10.6 ~ 10. 10 (5 mon.)	11. 3~ 11. 7 (5 mon.)	12. 3 ~ 08. 7 (5 mon.)
Experimental Goals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • First plasma startup • 2nd Harmonic ECH pre-ionization 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1st Harmonic ECH Pre-ionization • Startup stabilization 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shaping control & vertical stabilization • Heating 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Confinement (L-H) • Stabilization • Heating 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Plasma-Wall Interaction • Profile control • RWM, ELM control • Off-axis current drive
Operation Parameters	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • $B_T \sim 1.5$ T • $I_p > 0.1$ MA • $t_p > 0.1$ s • $T_e > 0.3$ keV • $T_i \sim 0$ keV • Flux ~ 1 Wb • Shape \sim Circular • Gas : H₂ 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • $B_T \sim 3$ T • $I_p > 0.3$ MA • $t_p > 2$ s • $T_e > 0.3$ keV • $T_i \sim 0.3$ keV • Flux ~ 2 Wb • Shape \sim Circular • Gas : H₂, D₂ 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • $B_T \sim 3$ T • $I_p \sim 1$ MA • $t_p \sim 10$ s • $T_e \sim 1$ keV • $T_i \sim 1$ keV • Flux ~ 4 Wb • Shape \sim DN(double null) • Gas : H₂, D₂ 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • $B_T \sim 3$ T • $I_p \sim 1.5$ MA • $t_p \sim 10$ s • $T_e \sim 1$ keV • $T_i \sim 3$ keV • Flux ~ 6 Wb • Shape \sim DN & SN • Gas : D₂ 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • $B_T \sim 3$ T • $I_p \sim 2$ MA (10 s) • $t_p > 100$ s (0.5 MA) • $T_e \sim 1$ keV • $T_i \sim 5$ keV • Flux ~ 8 Wb • Shape \sim DN & SN • Gas : D₂
PFC & conditioning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inboard limiter (belt) • Gas puff 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inboard limiter (w/o cooling) • Boronization 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Divertor / Passive plate • PFC baking • In-vessel coil 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cryopump operation • PFC cooling 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PFC cooling • Pellet
Magnetic control	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TF : 1.5 T • PF : 4 kA unipolar 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TF : up to 3.5 T • PF : +/-4 kA 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TF : up to 3.5 T • PF : +/-10 kA • IVCC : VS, RS 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TF : up to 3.5 T • PF : +/-15 kA • IVCC : FEC, RMP 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TF : up to 3.5 T • PF : +/-20 kA • IVCC : RMP, RWM
Heating operation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ECH(84G): 0.5MW, 0.4s 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ECH(84G): 0.5MW, 2s • ICRH(45M): 0.3MW, 10 s 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ECH(84G): 0.5MW, 2s • ICRH(45M): 1MW, 10 s • NBI: 1.0MW, 10s • LHCD: 0.5MW, 2s 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ECH(84G): 0.5MW, 2s • ICRH(45M): 2MW, 10 s • NBI: 2.5MW, 10s • LHCD: 0.5MW, 2s • ECCD(170G): 1MW, 10s 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ECH(84G): 0.5MW, 2s • ICRH(45M): 2MW, 300 s • NBI :5MW, 300s • LHCD : 1MW, 2s • ECCD(170G): 1MW, 300s
Diagnostics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MD (77 Ch)/ MMWI / ECE / Hα / filterscope / VS / TV 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MD/ MMWI / ECE / Hα / filterscope / VS / TV • PD / XCS (1 set) / Bolometer (resistive) / Reflect. / Soft X-ray 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MD / MMWI / ECE / Hα / filterscope / VS / TV • PD / XCS / Bolometer / Reflect. / Soft X-ray • Thomson Spectroscopy / Hard X-ray / Fast neutral / IR TV / ECEI 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MD / MMWI / ECE / Hα / filterscope / VS / TV • PD / XCS / Bolometer / Reflect. / Soft X-ray • TS / Hard X-ray / Fast neutral / IR TV / ECEI • MSE / FIR / CES / neutron 	

Upgrade targeting a Shaped H-mode



- For 1st campaign, the target plasma was $I_p=100\text{kA}$, $\tau_{\text{pulse}}=100\text{ms}$, $B_T=1.5\text{T}$, focusing on checking the machine reliability and the hardware integration
- Our two-year goal is to get a diverted H-mode by 2010

Upgrade for 2nd campaign (Sep. 2009)

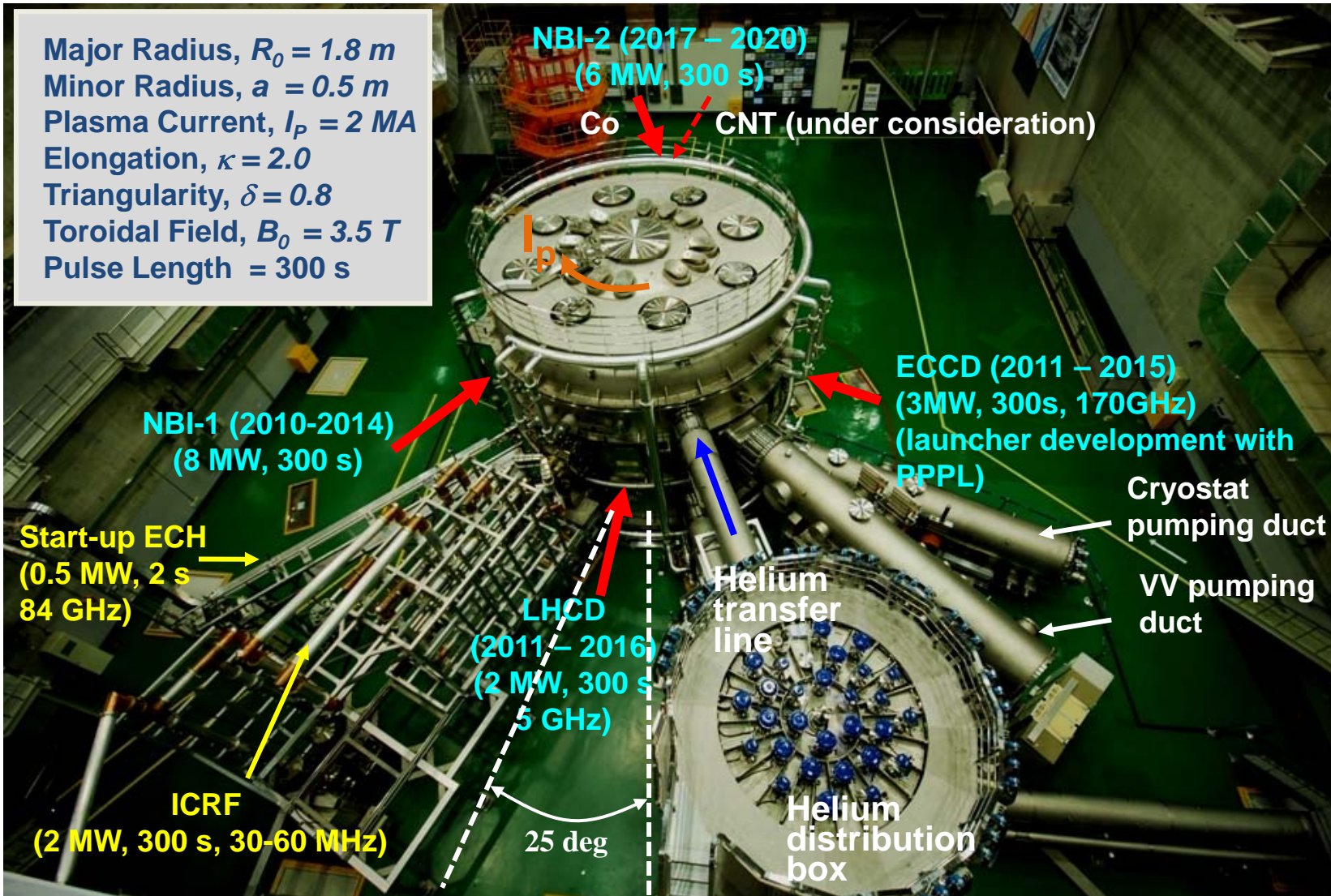
Circular, $B_T=3.5\text{T}$, $I_p\sim 0.5\text{ MA}$
Pulse length $\sim 10\text{s}$
ICRH+ECH heated L-mode
Partially covered PFCs

Upgrade for 3rd campaign (Jun. 2010)

Shaped H-mode ($B_T=2\text{T}$, $I_p\sim 1\text{ MA}$)
D-shaped double-null ($\kappa=2.0$, $\delta=0.8$)
Full CFC+graphite PFCs
 $P_{\text{NBI}}\sim 1.5\text{MW}$, $P_{\text{ICRH}}\sim 2\text{MW}$,
 $P_{\text{LHCD}}\sim 0.5\text{MW}$
In-vessel coils

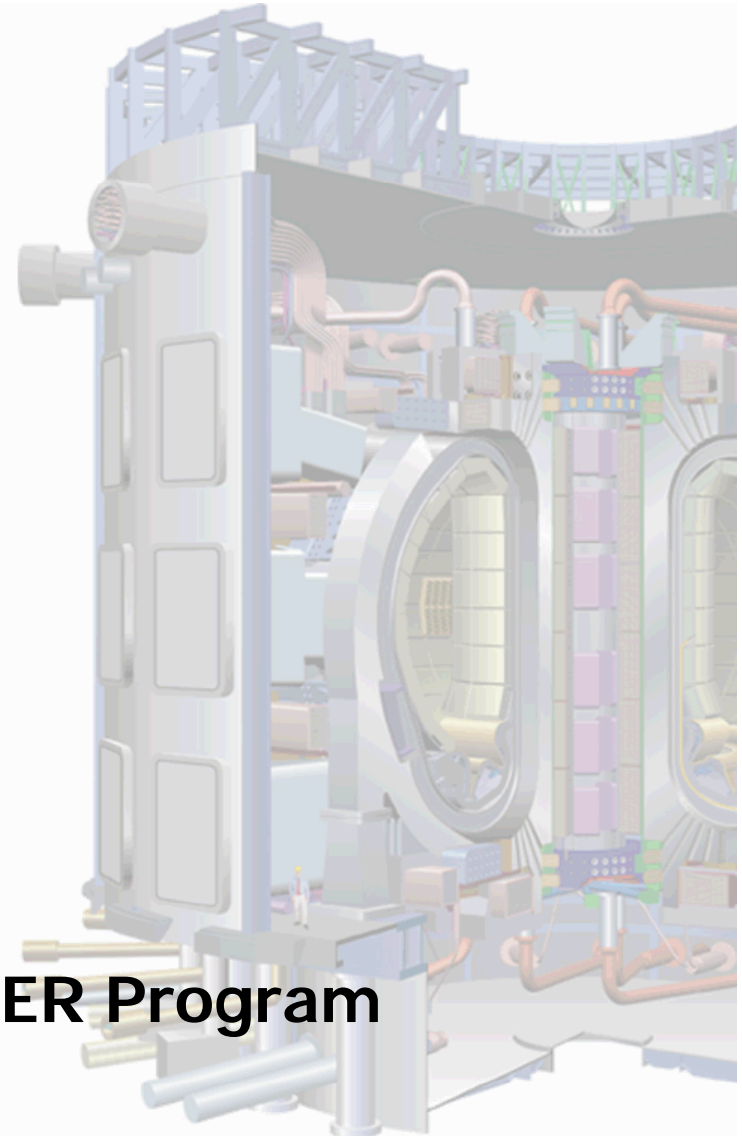
After 2010, we are targeting long-pulse advanced tokamak research by 2012.

KSTAR & heating devices



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ITER Program



ITER Staff by Member Status: March 2009

● Professional Staff by Member Countries

Party	EU	KO	IN	JA	CN	RF	US	Total
No.	141	15	10	19	15	18	17	235

- Total of 22 nationalities
- Support Staff : 86

● KO Professional Staff

Department	Safety and Security	Tokamak	Project Office	Central Engineering & Plant Support	Total
No.	2	6	3	4	15

KO-DA In-kind Contribution to ITER

1. TF Conductor
 Total Value (kIUA) : 215.0
 KO Allocation : 20.18%
 KO Contribution (kIUA) : 43.39

7. Thermal Shield
 Total Value (kIUA) : 28.8
 KO Allocation : 100%
 KO Contribution (kIUA) : 28.8

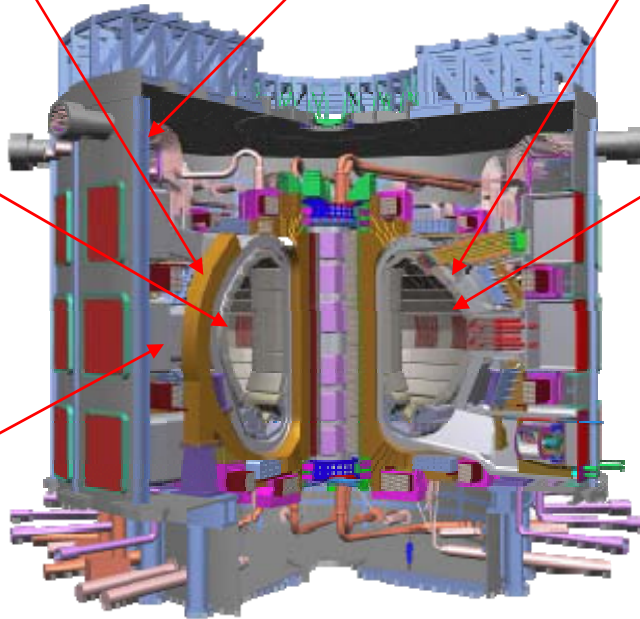
4. Blanket First Wall
 Total Value (kIUA) : 87.0
 KO Allocation : 10.5%
 KO Contribution (kIUA) : 9.13

2. Vacuum Vessel Main Body
 Total Value (kIUA) : 124.2
 KO Allocation : 20%
 KO Contribution (kIUA) : 24.84

5. Blanket Shield Block
 Total Value (kIUA) : 58.0
 KO Allocation : 10.5%
 KO Contribution (kIUA) : 6.09

3. Vacuum Vessel Port
 Total Value (kIUA) : 78.5
 KO Allocation : 73.5%
 KO Contribution (kIUA) : 57.70

6. Assembly Tooling
 Total Value (kIUA) : 22.0
 KO Allocation : 100%
 KO Contribution (kIUA) : 22.0



8. Tritium SDS
 Total Value (kIUA) : 14.5
 KO Allocation : 88%
 KO Contribution (kIUA) : 12.76

9. AC/DC Converters
 Total Value (kIUA) : 82.2
 KO Allocation : 38%
 KO Contribution (kIUA) : 31.24

10. Diagnostics
 Total Value (kIUA) : 137.5
 KO Allocation : 3.3%
 KO Contribution (kIUA) : 4.54

Lead Items Tokamak Main Ancillary

TF Conductor

Objectives

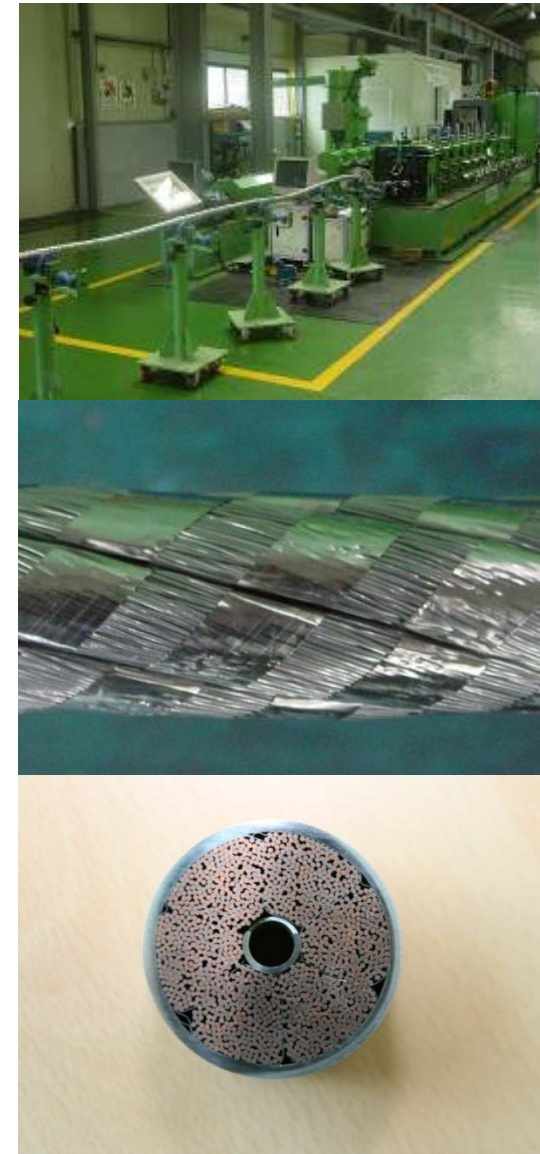
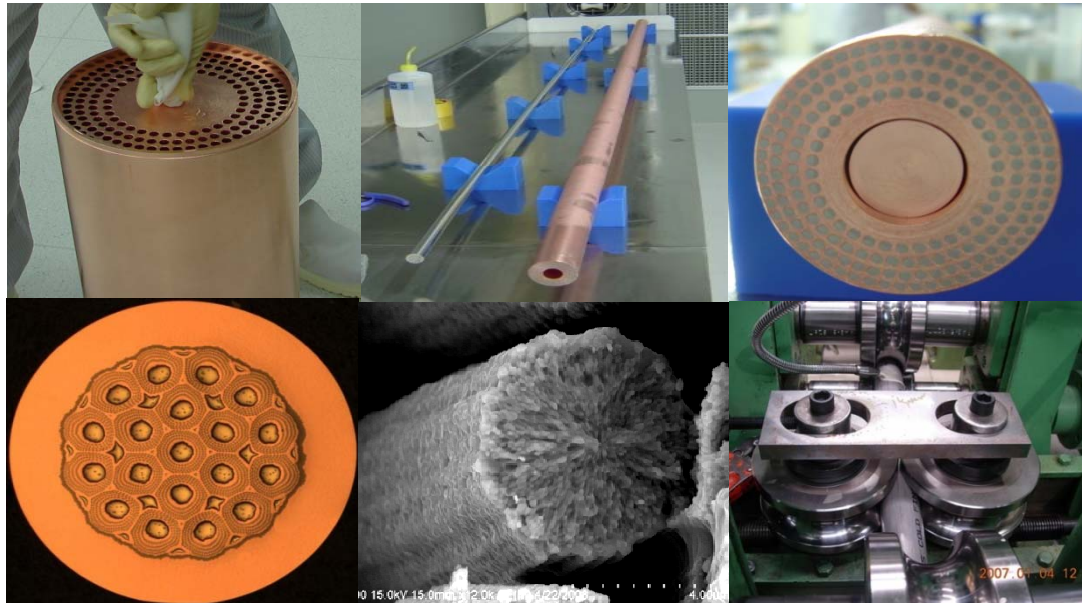
- Supply of 20 % of TF conductor to ITER (Lead Items)

 - * 19 of 760m and 8 of 415m TF Conductors

Current works

- Procurement Arrangement signed between KO-DA and ITER Organization on 7th May 2008

- The contract was awarded to KAT & Nexans



Vacuum Vessel (Main and Ports)

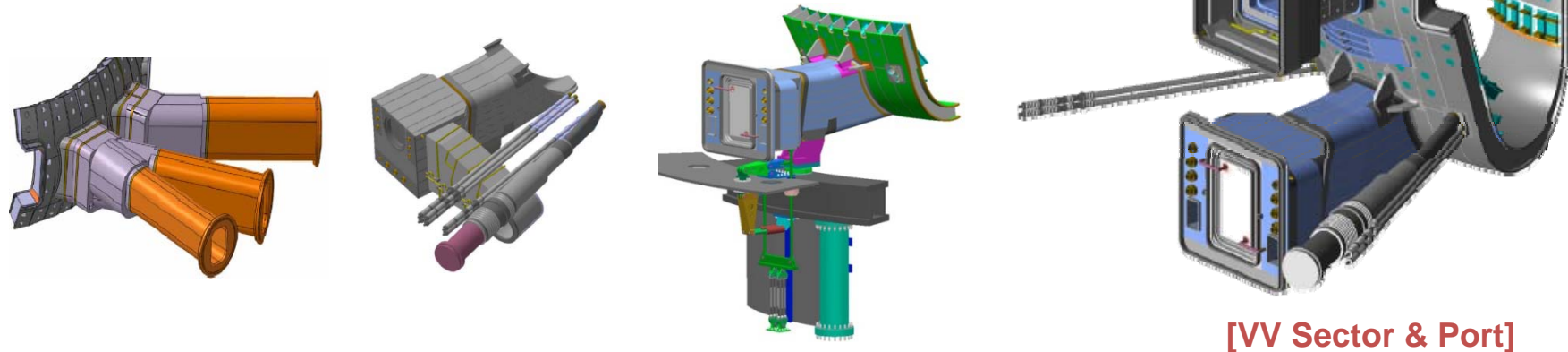
Objectives

- 20 % of VV main body and 73.5 % of VV ports contribution to ITER (Lead Items)

- * 2 Sectors Main Body, 14 Sets of Equatorial and 9 Sets of Lower Ports
- * 3 Sets of HNB, H/DNB Ports and 9 Sets of VV Supports

Current works

- Doing detail design (VV Support, NB Liner)
- Developing the fabrication method
- Studying fabrication and assembly tolerances
- Preparation of Call For Tender (CFT)



[VV Sector & Port]

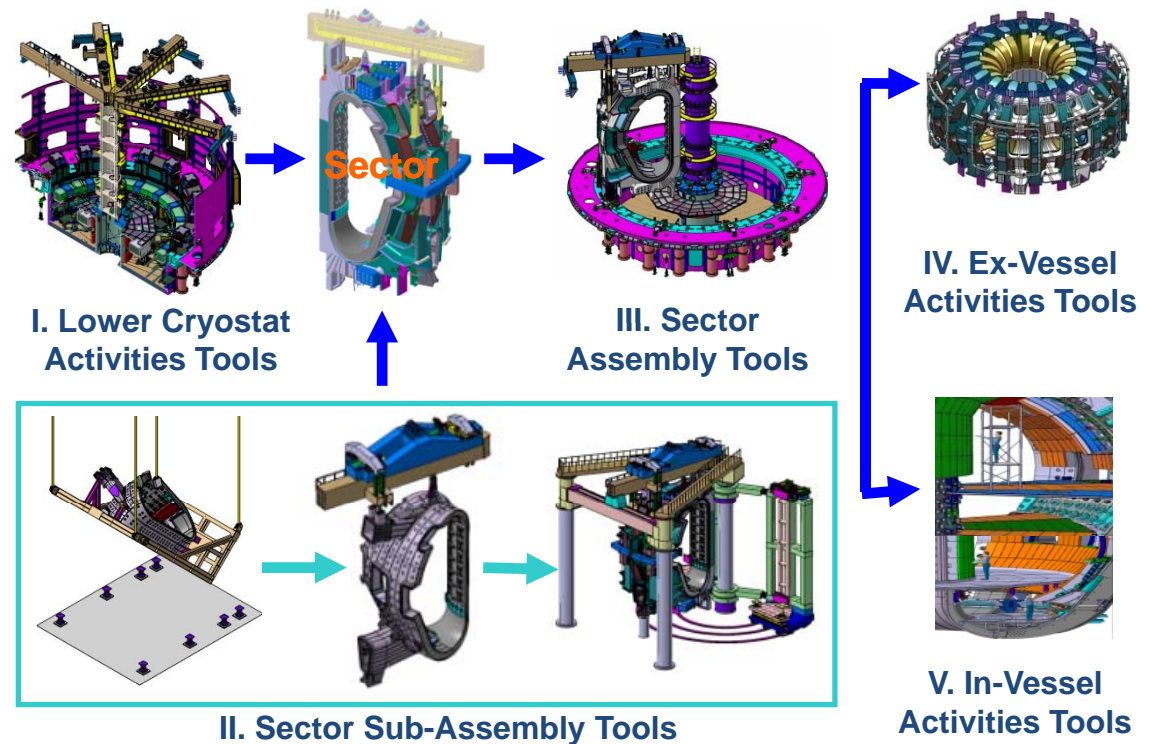
Assembly Tooling

Objectives

- Purpose-built assembly tools contribution to ITER : 100%
- * About 70 kinds of tools to assemble the ITER Tokamak which includes the cryostat and the components contained therein.

Current works

- Detailed design of assembly tools
 - Lower Cryostat Activities Tools
 - Sector Sub-Assembly Tools
 - Sector Assembly Tools
 - Ex-Vessel Activities Tools
 - In-Vessel Activities Tools
- Structural analysis of assembly tools
- Preparation of technical specification document for PA



CODAC (non-procurement, but R&D items)

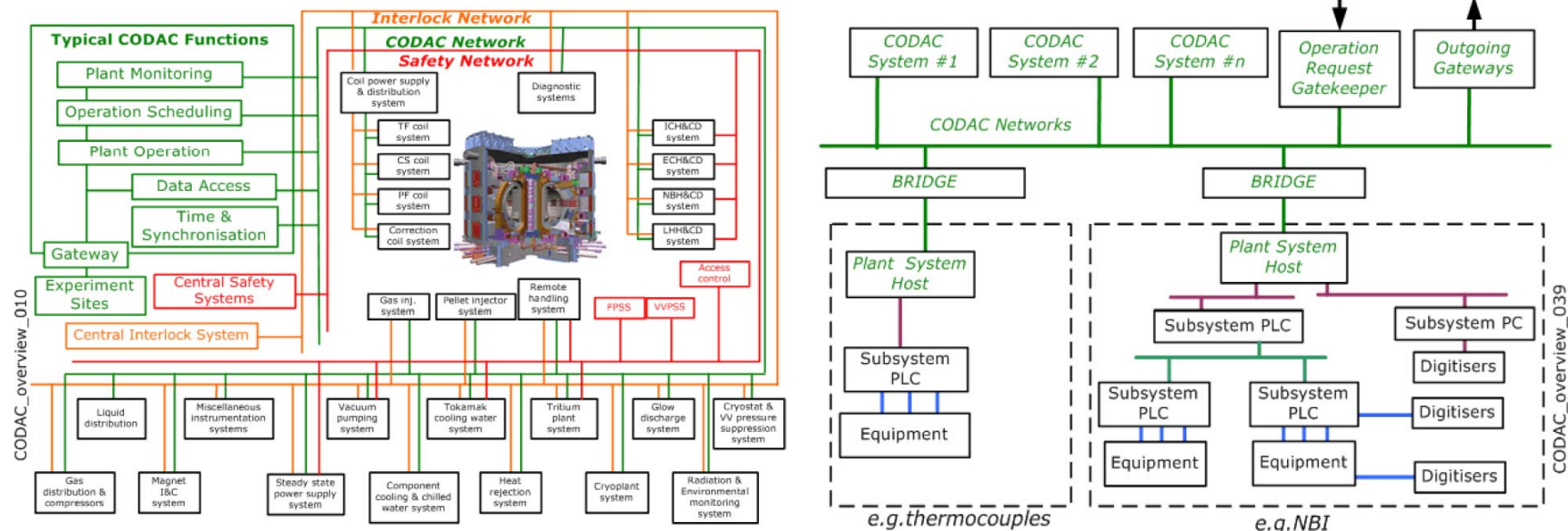
CODAC (Control, Data Access and Communication)

Objectives:

- Participate in the development of ITER integrated control system (CODAC)
- Participate in the open competition for CODAC procurement in the future

Current works

- International cooperation through PMWG activity
- Feasibility study of using EPICS for CODAC middleware (Task Agreement)



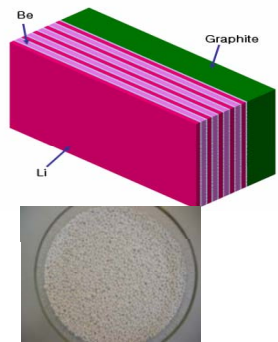
TBM (non-procurement, but R&D items)

Objectives

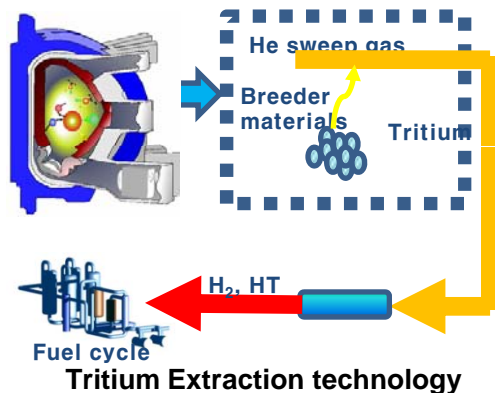
- Development of Korean concept of TBM for future DEMO and NFPP

Current works

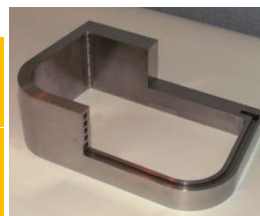
- Conceptual design of KO-TBM (Solid, Liquid)
- Leadership among parties for ITER TBM
- TBM R&D activities
 - Breeder/Multiplier/Reflector Materials
 - Tritium Extraction technology
 - Fabrication technology
 - Measurement system



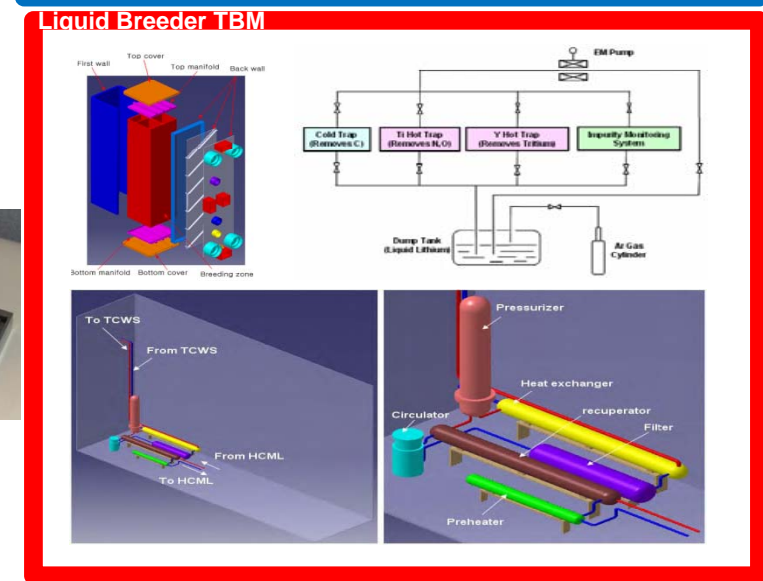
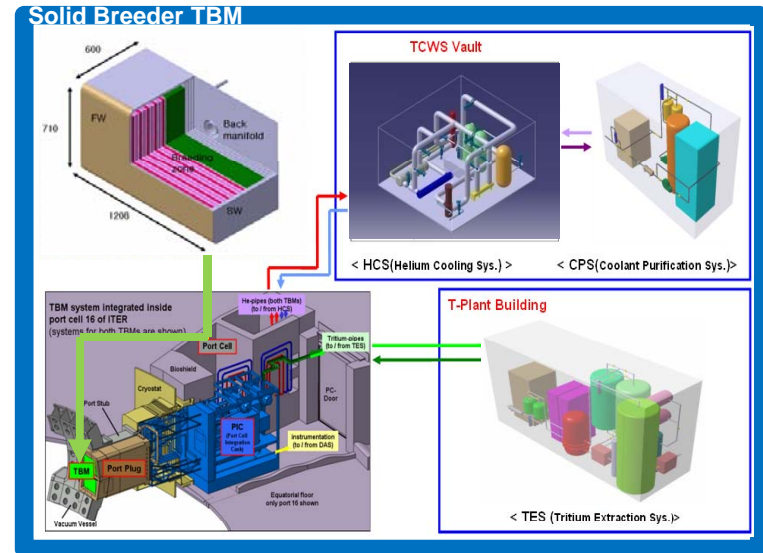
Material Development



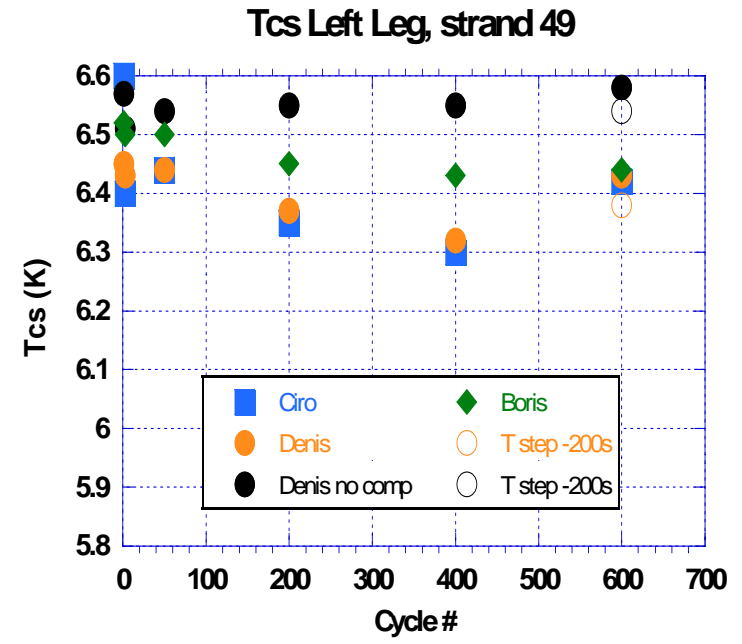
Tritium Extraction technology



Fabrication technology



Performance Qualification Test (5 Nov. 2008)



Current Sharing Temperature
Tcs = 6.3 ~ 6.6 K > 5.7 K

Successful Performance Qualification Test based on a full size Conductor Performance Qualification Sample (CPQS)



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Collaboration



KSTAR as a Collaboratory

User groups and foreign scientists participated in the first campaign

- **Improved clarity and accessibility helps building a collaborative environment**

Experts from more than ten domestic institutes attended in the major process to make the 1st plasmas.

- **Twenty-seven foreign scientists visited KSTAR during the first campaign**



Domestic experts assessing the preparation process of the 1st plasmas



Foreign scientists participated in the various states during the 1st campaign from US (GA, PPPL), Japan (NIFS, JAEA), Russia (KI), EU (CEA), ITER-IO

Collaboration Strategy

Domestic University Collaboration Network

- **Fostering world-class research groups**
- **Maximizing the connectivity to KSTAR and ITER projects**
- **Focusing on the basic and creative researches in fusion science**

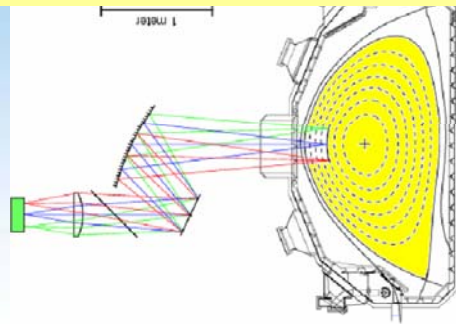
International Collaboration Network

- **Collaboration through KSTAR program**
- **Collaboration with ITER partners**
- **Collaboration for fusion nuclear technology**
- **Collaboration with non-ITER partners**

Core Universities

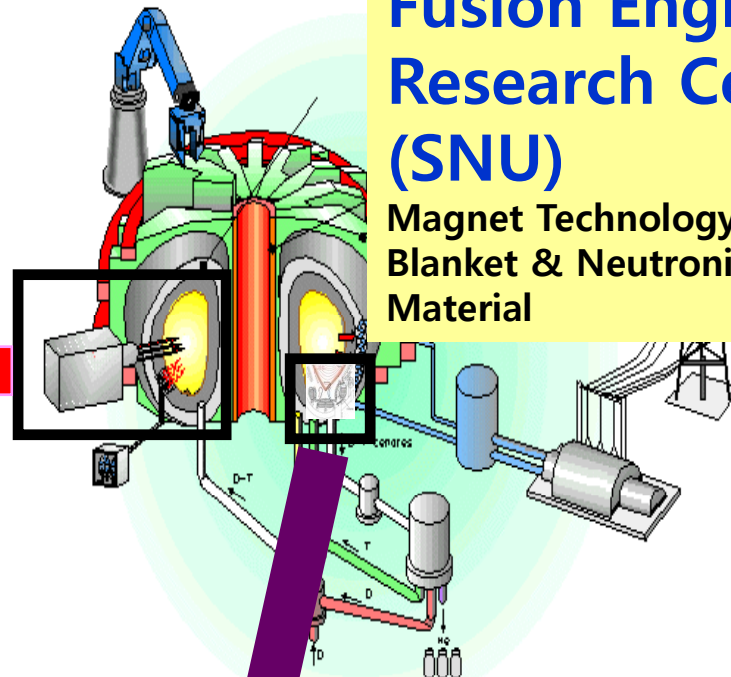
Plasma Core Research Center

Diagnostics
Control
Heating & CD

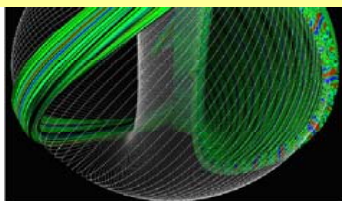


Fusion Engineering Research Center (SNU)

Magnet Technology
Blanket & Neutronic
Material



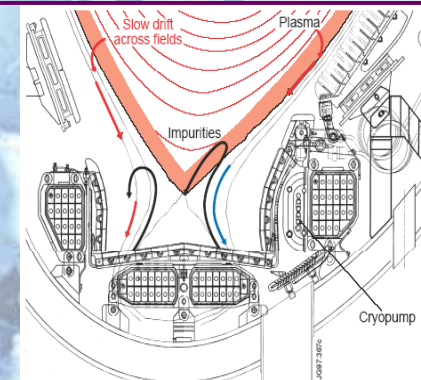
Fusion Simulation Center



Transport
MHD

Plasma Edge Research Center

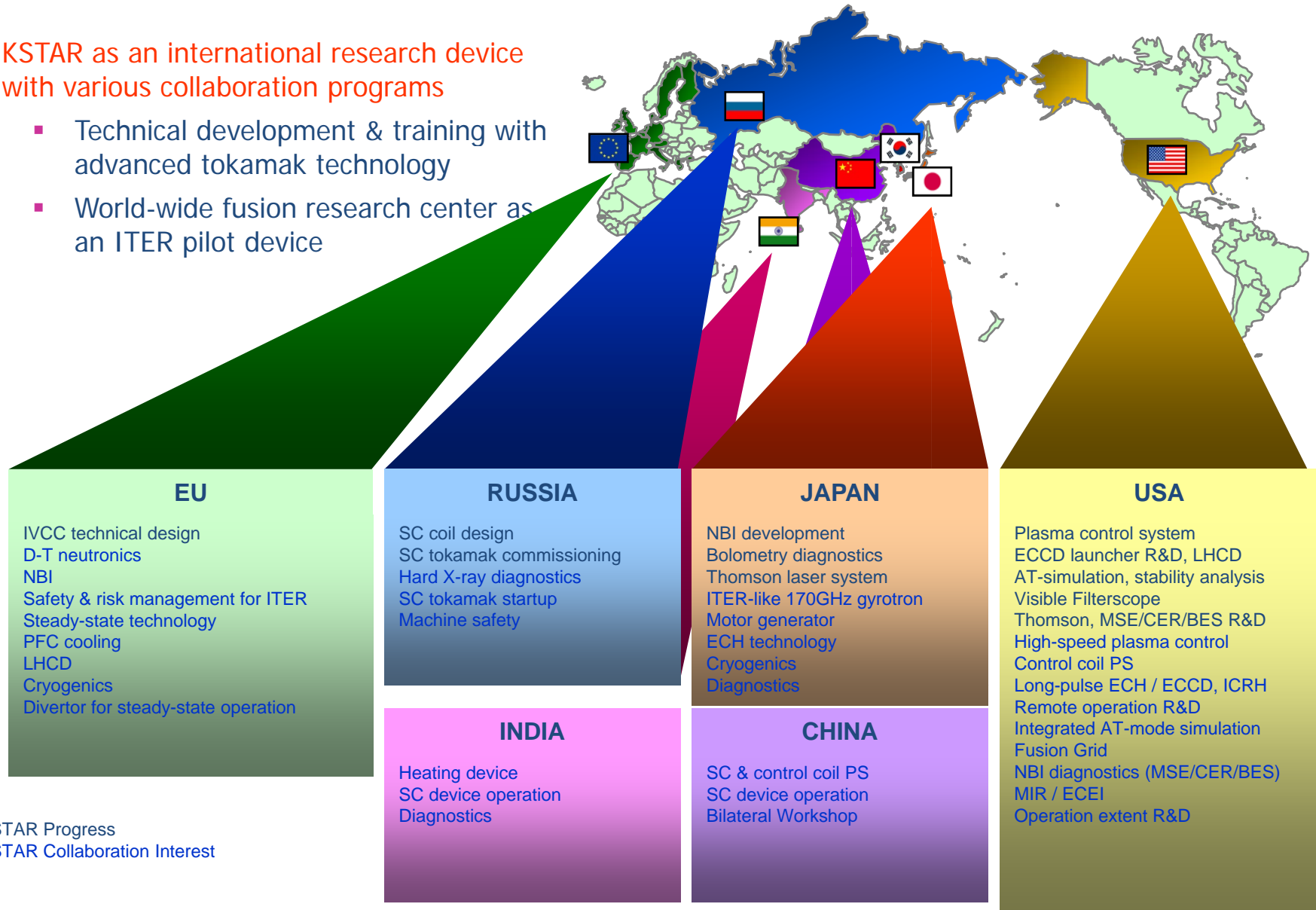
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International Collaboration



- KSTAR as an international research device with various collaboration programs
 - Technical development & training with advanced tokamak technology
 - World-wide fusion research center as an ITER pilot device



* KSTAR Progress
 * KSTAR Collaboration Interest

Summary



- KO fusion program was selected as one of green technologies for targeted support by the KO Government.
- KSTAR device construction, the integrated commissioning and 1st plasma startup was accomplished on June 13, 2008. The operation plan in the first phase was aimed at achieving controllability for shaped, high performance plasmas in super-conducting device.
- The operation results of the KSTAR device could be important technical basis for the fusion researches including ITER.
- KO-DA for ITER starts making progress in procurement process and R&D.
- Stronger collaborations are expected among institutes utilizing KSTAR to promote the fusion science and technology. It is desired that specific areas should be focused for international collaboration.